Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Traditionally, Americans--young and old alike--have volunteered their time, talent, and energy to help one another and their communities; and,

WHEREAS, The active involvement of citizens is needed today more than ever to combat growing human and social problems, to renew our belief that these problems can be solved, and to renew our sense of community; and,

WHEREAS, It is the duty of all citizens, parents and youth organizations to reinforce in our young Americans the importance and excitement of helping others and in creating a public awareness of the positive contributions that young people make in the nation's progress; and,

WHEREAS, Volunteering offers all citizens--young and old--the opportunity to participate in the life of their community and to link their talents and resources to address some of the major issues facing our cities, such as drug and alcohol abuse, education, hunger and homelessness, and assisting our elderly citizens; and,

WHEREAS, It has been conclusively demonstrated time and time again that citizens, working individually and collectively, can make a difference; and,

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week offers a special opportunity to celebrate the accomplishments of the millions of people who volunteer, and National Youth Service Day is organized to provide young people with the right examples, environments and opportunities:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 22 through 28, 1990, as

VOLUNTEER WEEK

and April 27, 1990, in particular, as

YOUTH SERVICE DAY

in South Dakota, and I invite all citizens to join me in honoring our greatest natural resource--our volunteers, young and old.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-Seventh Day of March, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE